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LOCAL NEWS.

If you see it in the Townsman, it's
news to be relied upon; if it is news
and so, you'll see it in the Townsman

E. R. Barton is ill.

Town meeting day Monday. Polls will
open at 8 o'clock.

Edward Abbott of West Andover is re-
ported to be quite ill.

Walter J. Sutcliffe is slowly recovering
from a severe attack of sickness.

A debate will be held at the regular
meeting of the Andover Burns Club Sat-
urday evening.

Andover, I. O. O. F. will hold a sub-
scription party in Odd Fellows hall on
March 24.

Representative William Odlin spoke
strongly this week in opposition to the
bill for the registration of horse-choers.

A regular meeting of the Andover
Cricket Club will be held next Tuesday
evening. A full attendance of members
is desired.

Rev. Lathrop C. Grant, well known in
Andover while he was a student at Phil-
lips Academy has accepted a call to the
First Presbyterian church at Eau Claire,
Wis.

The Governor's veto on the bill to re-
store days of grace on sight drafts was
announced yesterday 210 to 5, with
five pairs. Representative Odlin was
paired on the Governor's side.

Fragrant violets and beautiful pansies
can be had at the Elm Street Conserva-
tory, E. H. Playdon, Myra Villars. We
can vouch for their fragrance and beauty.
See his add. to-day.

Andover Grangers attended the
monthly meeting of the Essex County
Pomona Grange, at Methuen, yesterday.
The next meeting will be held in North
Andover, April 6th.

Joseph Myerscough, who is in the regular
army in Cuba, has taken many interesting
photographic views, some of which are
on exhibition in H. F. Chase's store in
the Musgrove Building.

A horse belonging to John Morrill of
West Andover ran away Sunday in Abbot
Village. The buggy was overturned and
the top forced off. A girl was thrown
out but not seriously injured.

At the session of the superior court
which opens in Lawrence, Monday, a
case of interest to Andover people will
be heard. Judge Bell will be asked to
rule whether the islands in Baggett's
pond belong to Mr. Greenwood or to the
town.

The Boys' Brigade Company of the
Free Church held an enjoyable entertain-
ment in the church vestry last evening.
Songs, drills, and a magic lantern ex-
hibition by David Currie made up the pro-
gram. Refreshments were served.

The success of Macdowell, the great
pianist who appeared in Andover last
week, as a player is no less pronounced
in his own compositions for the piano.
His most popular selections can be seen
and purchased at the Andover Bookstore.

The second of the Guild House con-
certs will be given next Monday evening,
March 6th, at 7.45 o'clock. The program
will consist of two Kluder-Symphonies,
violin solos, piano playing, and songs.
Admission, 10 cents.

The funeral of Mrs. John Nuckley was
held Monday morning at 10 o'clock in
St. Augustine's Church. Solemn High
Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Rev.
Fr. O'Mahoney. There was special sing-
ing by members of the choir. Burial was
in the Catholic Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Smith observed
their silver wedding anniversary Wed-
nesday night at their home on Bartlett
Street. There were many guests present
including members of the Andover and
Ballardvale engine companies. Mr. and
Mrs. Smith received many beautiful and
useful presents.

A new football field at Phillips Acad-
emy will be secured before next fall.
The probable expense will be \$200. It
is argued that more than that will be
saved each year on a field enclosed by a
high board fence. Many do not need to
enter the present field in order to witness
a game.

The date of the hearing on the petition
of Lawrence lawyers and others asking
for a change of the name of the Law
court police court and extension of its
jurisdiction to include Andover, North
Andover and Methuen, has been set. It
will be held in Room 227 State House,
Boston, Tuesday morning, March 14, at
10.30 o'clock before the joint committee
of the judiciary of which Fred H. Wil-
liams is chairman. The bill will meet
with opposition from all three of the
towns which it is proposed to annex to
the Lawrence police court and petitions
have been circulated protesting against
any change in the present system. The
opponents of the measure will be repre-
sented at the hearing.

The legislative committee on taxation
had an interesting hearing Wednesday
on a bill presented by Representative
Odlin of Andover to change the law re-
lating to the taxation of the property of
educational institutions. Mr. Odlin told
of the state of affairs in his own town
where Phillips Andover Academy keeps
a milk wagon and runs a milk route in
competition with the farmers of the
town. The farmers pay a tax on their
cows and property but the academy does
not. The Theological seminary has plots
of land which are not taxed. On these
they raise hay which they sell in com-
petition with the farmers or feed to the
cows of the academy which are not
taxed. John B. Gale and town counsel
Smith of Williamstown and Mr. Riley of
Amherst favored the bill. They testified
to the existence in the towns of practi-
cally the same conditions which Mr. Odlin
told of in Andover.

A dance will be held in Andover
Grange hall, this evening.

The Puchard baseball nine has se-
cured dates with several teams already.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Gleason went to
New York for a few days the first of the
week.

Edgar S. Chase of Whiting, Me., is vis-
iting his aunt, Mrs. W. P. Jenkins of Elm
Street.

Miss Agnes Smith of Malden spent
Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. W. P. Jen-
kins.

E. V. N. Hitchcock will open his pho-
tographic studio over Valpey's market
next Monday.

Lincoln lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold
an assembly in Pilgrim hall, Easter Mon-
day night.

William H. Jowett has been the guest
of J. Harry Tapley of Haverhill this
week.

The grocery stores in town will close
Monday afternoon to allow the clerks to
attend Town Meeting.

The Phillips Academy Dramatic Club
will probably play "She Stoops to Con-
quer," again in June.

Miss Helen Kellar, the famous deaf
mute, has been spending a few days at
Phillips Academy this week.

Bishop Lawrence will visit Christ
Church and administer Confirmation
next Sunday at 8.30 p. m.

A joint debate between Philo and
Forum, the debating societies at Phillips
Academy, will be held Friday evening,
March 24.

Supt. Chandler has decided to be an
independent candidate for the office of
Highway Surveyor, and ballots will be
out bearing his name.

Season tickets will be on sale for the
Cricket Club and Brass Band Fair, April
4, 5, 6, 7, at T. E. Rhodes' and the And-
over Bookstore to-morrow.

For More Beautiful School Rooms.

You can help in the work the And-
over teachers have undertaken, by
purchasing a ticket for the lecture by
Mrs. Annie Sawyer Downs on "Child-
hood in Art," to come off at the town
hall March 10. Tickets are now on
sale at the Bookstore.

A horror party was held last evening
by Andover colony, Pilgrim Fathers. A
large stock of goods was auctioned off
at a profit by Fred Hulme. There was
a good attendance despite the storm.

The evening services in the churches
were omitted Sunday night on account
of the no-license rally in the town hall.
Rev. Mr. Palmer, Rev. Mr. Klein and Rev.
F. R. Shipman were all out of town and
were consequently unable to attend.

Rev. Arthur N. Peaslee, who will
preach in Christ Church next Thursday
evening, has recently resigned his posi-
tion as Rector of the Church of St. John
the Evangelist, Haverhill, and become
curate at the historic Christ church in
Harvard Square, Cambridge.

Simon Wardwell fell last week at the
home of his daughter, Mrs. Georgiana
Dole, and was quite badly shaken up.
He is confined to his bed, his back
having been wounded by the fall. Mr.
Wardwell is in his 94th year and until
the accident had been remarkably active.
He fell while at work in the barn and
managed to reach the house unassisted.

It has been voted by the Phillips Acad-
emy Faculty that hereafter no division of
profits, actual or prospective, shall be
made by the management of the school
publications without the sanction of the
faculty, expressed through its author-
ized representative. The publications
concerned are the *Phillips*, the *Mirror*,
Phi-Four, and the *Senior Class Book*.

Herbert Chase held an opening at his
store Saturday evening, displaying a fine
line of gentlemen's furnishing goods be-
sides his complete stock of athletic goods
and bicycles. E. J. F. Hemmer played
several selections on the piano during
the afternoon, and Alexander Dunham,
Mr. Chase's assistant played in the eve-
ning. A new arrangement of electric lights
has been made, the effect being excellent.
Mr. Chase passed around cigars among
his guests and in many other ways
showed his hospitality.

A meeting of the Lawrence club of
1898 was held at the residence of Mrs.
Thomas E. Allen, Frye Village, Tuesday
afternoon. Very interesting current
events papers were given by Miss Joseph-
ine Spaulding, Mrs. John M. Smith and
Miss Martha Smart. The club was most
delightfully entertained by Miss Ellen
Elizabeth Dole, elocutionist and teacher
of physical culture of Haverhill, Miss
Ruth Sherburne, pianist, of Lowell, and
Mrs. Helen Churchill Furber, of Law-
rence. The club attendance was large.
Mrs. A. E. Butler and Miss Irene Butler
presided at the tea table assisted by the
Misses Allen, McAlpine, Walworth,
Lamprey and Barlow.

The board of registrars of voters met
Saturday at the town clerk's office. All
the members were present except Henry
McLavin, whose place was filled by
William J. Crowley by the selection.
The following persons were registered:
James Anderson 2nd, centre; Willis B.
Chamberlain, centre; Henry J. Curry,
centre; Edward P. Gaffney, village;
James H. Green, centre; Richard C. Hill,
Frye; Sam. Hartman, Frye; Warren L.
Johnson, centre; James F. Hursey, cen-
tre; Daniel Kelley, village; Joseph Kemp-
ton, Phillips; Timothy J. McCarthy, cen-
tre; Fred C. Murphy, Phillips; George W.
Maddonald, centre; Christopher Nollau,
village; George A. B. Prescott, centre;
John P. Torrey, centre; Harry S. Wright,
centre, all of precinct one; George C.
Metcalf, Ballardvale; Joseph Tachauder,
Ballardvale, both of precinct two.

The Fair, Town Hall, April 4, 5, 6, 7.

Jonathan M. Bean is able to be out
again after his long illness.

Peter D. Smith presided at the meeting
and banquet Monday at the United
States hotel, Boston, of the Civil War
veterans, who have since served at the
state house.

The first payment in the Abbot Village
coal society for this term will be taken
in the Abbot Village Hall this evening,
from 7.30 to 8.30 p. m. Intending mem-
bers may join on or before May 24, 1899.
Entrance fee, 10 cents. For further in-
formation apply to Charles McDermitt,
James Carrie, secretary; John B. Callum,
Alexander Dick, treasurer; William
Angus, Martin Duggan.

The quarterly meeting of the Andover
Association was held Tuesday at the resi-
dence of Rev. Frederick H. Page, pastor
of Trinity church, Lawrence. About 25
members were present. Rev. F. A. War-
field of the First Congregational church,
Lowell, was admitted to membership.
The program of the meeting was as fol-
lows: Brother William A. Bartlett of-
ficated as moderator; 9 a. m. business;
9.15 a. m. report of reading; 10.30 a. m.
efficacy of prayer, Rev. C. L. Merriam of
Lowell; 11.30 a. m. Significance of the
Protestant sacraments with special refer-
ence to infant baptism, Rev. C. H. Oliphant
of Methuen; 12.30 p. m. devotional
service; 1 p. m. dinner; 2 p. m. business;
2.15 p. m. Significance of recent discov-
eries in archeology, Professor Moore of
Andover; 3.15 p. m. review of Fluke's
beginnings of New England. Rev. E. L.
Baker.

The *Pilgrim Press* of Boston is about to
publish a biography of the late Rev. E. H.
Cutler, of Worcester, by the Rev. E. H.
Byington, D. D., of Newton, Mass. who
says that among the anecdotes of his life
in the seminary is the following: "Mr.
Cutler was fond of athletic sport, avoid-
ing that which taxed the physical system
too severely. He liked especially the
place of 'catcher' in the old style of base-
ball, and to have his roommate, Mr.
Lanphear, throw the ball. One day while
many of the students at Andover were
playing ball, back of the seminary, Mr.
Cutler announced that for the sport of the
thing, Lanphear and he challenged the
seminary for a game. The challenge was
accepted, with the result that after Mr.
Cutler had 'caught out' forty in succession
the game was given up. It was said that
it was of no use for one to try to hit the
ball with Cutler at his back, for he would
pick the ball off of his bat if it were not
likely to pass the 'striker'."

The Soldier Boys who had taken Hood's
Sarsaparilla are said to have stood the long
marches much better than their companions.
This medicine gives strength and endurance.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. Mailed for 25
cents by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

A. V. I. S. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Andover
Village Improvement Society will be held
in the Lower Town Hall, Monday eve-
ning, March 13, 1899. After the business
meeting there will be speeches and gen-
eral discussion open to all. Members are
requested to bring at least one friend,
that we may have the inspiration of num-
bers.

EMMA J. LINCOLN, Secretary.

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The Buffalo National Acetylene Gas
Company of Buffalo, N. Y., are placing
on the market on thirty days' trial, a
machine for the manufacture of Acety-
lene Gas which is bound to take the
place of all other illuminants. This ma-
chine is the latest improved and is re-
commended by all standard insurance
companies. They light churches, stores,
factories, residences and country homes.
They want good representatives.

Weather Record.

Temperature taken in the morning be-
tween 5 and 7 o'clock, and at noon
between 12 and 1 o'clock.

1898	MORN.	NOON.	1899	MORN.	NOON.
Feb. 24	32	42	Feb. 24	26	38
" 25	27	32	" 25	28	38
" 26	24	38	" 26	14	38
" 27	22	42	" 27	38	46
" 28	22	36	" 28	26	38
Mar. 1	20	42	Mar. 1	34	44
" 2	20	40	" 2	26	36

I have been afflicted with rheumatism
for fourteen years and nothing seemed to
give any relief. I was able to be around
all the time but constantly suffering. I
had tried everything I could hear of and
at last was told to try Chamberlain's
Pain Balm, which I did, and was immedi-
ately relieved and in a short time cured.
I am happy to say that it has not since
returned.—JOSEPH EDGAR, Germantown,
Cal. For sale by Arthur Bliss, Andover,
C. H. Shattuck, Ballardvale.

Advertised Letters.

Unclaimed letters, Feb. 27, 1899.
Anderson, Miss Annie Atwell, John
Brainerd, A. J. Casey, Miss Emma E.
Cochran, C. A. Gould, Miss Lucy J.
Gray, William R. Levine, John N.
Maccord, Edw. D. Wolf Proctor, W. H.
Rozan, Miss Katherine Russell, Miss F.
Schnitz, Louis Treitonski, Josef
Underwood, John
ARTHUR BLISS, P. M.

To Cure Constipation in One Week
To Purify the Blood in One Week
To Strengthen Nerves in One Week
To Cure Sick Headache in One Day

Take Cleveland's Celery Compound Tea, 25c
Trial size free. If it fails to cure, your money
will be refunded by E. M. & W. A. Allen, Ph.D.

THE ANNUAL REPORTS.

What Officials Have to Say Regarding the Conduct of Town Affairs.

According to the report of Supt. of Schools George E. Johnson, out of an appropriation of \$21,000 for schools there is an unexpended balance of \$1,041; out of \$200 for school houses an unexpended balance of 45 cents; out of \$1500 for school books and supplies a balance of 69 cents.

George W. Chandler, highway surveyor, reports an overdraft of \$47.90 in the highways and bridges department. The appropriation was \$4740. Removing snow cost \$4245.37, an overdraft of \$745.37. The sidewalk department appropriation was overdrawn \$33.12. Of \$4000 appropriated for macadam roads there is a balance of \$58.75. Of \$3000 appropriated for horses and drivers, \$14.42 remains unexpended. Supt. Chandler recommends that the town raise \$4000 for macadam roads this year, \$4000 for highways and bridges, \$1500 for sidewalks and \$658 to be spent under the betterment act.

The appropriation for town officers, the town house the fire department, the fire alarm the Ballardvale engine house the park commission, were not overdrawn.

State aid to the amount of \$3088.50 was disbursed the past year, including \$308 paid to families of Andover soldiers in the war with Spain.

During the year \$93,000 in notes has been paid and notes have been discounted to the amount of \$99,500. The property of the town is estimated to be worth \$533,210.

The almshouse appropriation of \$4000 has been exceeded by \$1289.81. The town farm buildings have been repaired at a cost of \$658.23. Supt. Burnham reports that there were 36 inmates at the institution the past year, the average weekly expense for each inmate being \$1.69. Nine inmates have been admitted and six discharged during the year. Two died. The receipts from the farm were \$3817.47.

According to Chief Hardy's report there were 16 alarms of fire during the year. The greatest loss was that at the Craighead & Klints shop, estimated at \$350,000. The next largest loss was \$200 caused by a fire in the Bancroft house. Chief Hardy recommends an appropriation of \$4000 for a stable at Engine house No. 1.

Taxes amounting to \$71,433.04 were collected last year. There remain uncollected \$2816.01.

Town Treasurer George A. Parker recommends that all of the town bills be audited before being paid.

The park commissioners report a balance of 55 cents and request an appropriation of \$500.

The following statistics were taken from the annual report of Librarian H. H. Holt of the Memorial hall library: Volumes in library Jan. 1, 1898, 14,491; volumes purchased, 345; volumes presented, 70; volumes in library Dec. 31, 1898, 17,267; number of volumes delivered 65; during the year Miss Clara B. Boynton donated a bayonet and a piece of stockade from Anderson's prison; from the estate of J. C. Crowninshield was received one bridle, two spurs, two epaulets, one bronze badge and one sword.

The water commissioners report that 10 years service has demonstrated the fact that the Andover water supply is as good as was anticipated it would be; that judging from the analysis of the water from year to year, no better water is allowed to issue for the town in commonwealth, and that the supply is abundant even if the whole town were included in the system. During the year the report says 31 applications for service were received and 30 accepted. Pipes put in making a total to the present time of 847. From water rates were received \$7792.40. The net cost of the maintenance of the department was \$3662.43. There were sold \$5000 worth of bonds making the full amount which the town is allowed to issue for the water system. The commissioners ask for \$750 for sinking fund and \$42000 for maintenance. About \$2000 is left for construction purposes.

The cost of the construction of the water supply system is as follows: Office fixtures \$492.53; reservoir, \$11,074.59; buildings at pumping station, \$9433.69; coal shed, \$806.97; pipe distribution, \$128,070.65; service pipe, \$11,989.25; construction expenses \$6897.77; auction pipe \$1809.46; pumping plant, \$26,852.37; grading land, \$1739.12; tools, \$1377.49; teams, \$474.90; work shop, \$1259.62; water and land damage, \$3696.80; telephone, \$74.63. Total, \$206,149.84.

The sewer commissioners report good progress in sewer construction. Up to the close of the year 110 applications for house connections were received and 55 made, covering 61 buildings. The commissioners recommend before levying assessments constructing a section of sewer including Highland road, Salem street, Main street from Salem to Porter street, Porter street; also to extend present system by constructing Summer street, Washington avenue, Elm street from Maple avenue to Washington avenue. Whittier street from Elm street to Summer street and from Chestnut street to Bartlett street. Chestnut street from Whittier street to Mrs. Moy's. The estimated cost of these extensions is \$26,465 and the total assessable frontage 25,310 feet. This construction would reduce the assessment to be made to about \$1.10 per foot front. The cost of construction so far has been \$75,700.33.

The following is a list of appropriations, a part being the amounts recommended by the several departments: Schools, \$21,000.00; School houses, 2500.00; School Books and Supplies, 1600.00; Repairs on Highways and Bridges, 4000.00; Macadamized roads, 4000.00; Sidewalks, 1500.00; Removing Snow, 3500.00; Town Officers, 1500.00; Town House, 1500.00; Waterworks Maintenance, 4200.00; Sewers, Maintenance, 1500.00; Sinking fund, 1050.00; Fire Department, 2500.00; Stable and Repairs, 4000.00; Fire Alarm Maintenance, 300.00; Horses and drivers, 3000.00; Street Lighting, 4150.00; Printing and Stationery, 1000.00; Spring Grove Cemetery, 300.00; Park Commission, 500.00; Memorial day, 200.00; State Aid, 1600.00; Military Aid, 300.00; State Aid, War with Spain, 600.00; Expenses of Almshouse, 4000.00; Relief out of almshouse, 300.00; State Tax, 5000.00; County Tax, 5000.00; Abatement of Taxes, 1000.00; Interest on Notes, Funds, and Bonds, 12500.00; Insurance, 600.00; Hay Scales, 50.00; Miscellaneous, 1500.00; Redemption of bonds, (Vote of 1889) 5000.00.

Total, \$11,025,000.

THE CARE OF WINDOW GARDENS.

(From Harper's Bazar.)

Few plants in the window garden will bloom much during the usually cloudy weather of December. Indeed, few will make much growth during this period. But with the advent of the new year, and the sunshine which generally characterizes the season after the holidays, plants will begin to put forth foliage and buds, and by February they will be at their best, if they are given proper care.

Many persons who grow plants think to start them by feeding them with rich food. They apply this or that fertilizer in liberal quantities, and look for immediate and satisfactory results. In most cases they are sorely disappointed. Instead of encouraging lagging plants to vigorous and healthy development, their treatment is productive of serious injury, because the plants, being dormant or nearly so, are not in a condition to appropriate the food furnished them. It affects them precisely as rich food affects the stomach of a person who is not able to assimilate or digest it. Often plants are killed outright by this mistaken kindness on the part of their owners. The proper time and the only time when it is safe to give fertilizers, is when a plant is growing. Then, and then only, can it make good use of it. But at such times be careful about giving it in excessive quantities.

Overfeeding is often as harmful as underfeeding. A plant can be fed to death as well as starved to death. If prepared fertilizers are used, follow the directions carefully which are given on the packages. If bone meal is used, a teaspoonful to a six or seven-inch pot will be sufficient, and the application should not be repeated oftener than once in six weeks during the period of the plant's most active growth. Dig it into the soil about the roots of the plant, but do not let it come into immediate contact with the young and delicate roots. If prompt results are desired, be sure to get that which is finely ground. Coarse bone meal is a long time in dissolving. If liquid manure is used, let it be the color of weak tea. Use it once a week. Apply enough to saturate all the soil in the pot.

Plants in the living room generally suffer greatly at this season from the dryness and excessive heat of the atmosphere. Furnaces and stoves seem to burn all vitality out of the air, unless great precautions are taken to impart some degree of moisture to it. Pans of water can be kept on the stove or register to give off, by evaporation, a steady supply of moisture. If care is taken to fill them as fast as the water is dissipated, and if the plants are showered daily, a degree of humidity will result which will make the atmosphere congenial to the plants in the window, and their growth and development will be far healthier than it possibly can be in a room where nothing is done to modify the objectionable conditions which prevail there. Look the window gardens of your friends over carefully, and you will find that in nine out of ten of them the plants are making a rapid but weak growth. This is because they are forced to an unhealthy development by the unnatural conditions which exist in most dwellings during the winter season. They get too much heat and too little fresh air. The temperature ought to be kept at 65 or 70 degrees by day, and 50 to 55 degrees at night, or as near these figures as possible, and on every pleasant day, in moderate weather, air should be admitted freely. The window at which the plants stand should not be opened, but a door or window at some distance from them can be used to admit it, and it will mix with the warm air of the room and lose its keen frosty tang before it reaches them. Often a blast of cold air, coming directly in contact with them, will injure delicate plants almost as much as a touch of frost.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of a severe cold that has yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. Sold by Arthur Bliss, Andover, J. H. Shattuck, Ballardvale.

IN CONFIDENCE.

Friend—Some men are remarkably ungrateful after you have had them elected.

The Boss—Yes; the moment some men are elected they begin to think they did it themselves.—Puck.

"What appears to be the matter with your father?" inquired the doctor, as he hastily put on his clothes.

"He's got the plumbago," replied the boy. "I think that's what maw says it is."

"Pain in the small of the back, I presume," said the doctor.

"No sir; he ain't got no small of the back. My paw weighs 284 pounds."—Chicago Record.

First Physician—I cured both of the patients you left when you went on your vacation.

Second Physician—That's the last time I'll leave my practice in your hands.—New York World.

Thrill—The Chuzzlebops beat the world in economy.

What do they do?

When Chuzzlebop has a cold he does not get his prescription filled until his wife gets a cold too.—Chicago Record.

Visitor (in museum)—"Is there anything else of interest that we ought to see?"

Caretaker—"There's this here box, sir."

Visitor—"Ah, very quaint. Indeed! I suppose that is where the famous owner put his private papers?"

Caretaker—"No; that's where the folks put my fees before they go."

"I see Russia has completed plans for a railway in China," remarked the morose citizen.

"Well, that doesn't affect our personal interests," replied the flippant friend.

"No. But I can't help sympathizing with our Russian ally when they get into trouble. I'd certainly hate to see the man whose business it is to stand on the platform and call off the stations."—Washington Star.

First Legislator—How do you stand on this proposed bill to abolish free lunch?

Second Legislator—I'm for it all right if they will insert a provision that it shall not take effect until after the end of the session.—Indianapolis Journal.

Belle—How did Edith sing last night?

Maud—She was a howling success.

STUDENT LIFE SAVING CREW.

In Evanston, Ill., where the campus of Northwestern University rolls down to Lake Michigan is a little red brick building which shelters the only student crew in the United States life saving service. Twenty years ago when the faculty of the university were casting about to find employment for needy students, it was learned that the Federal government had decided to establish a station at Evanston. The trustees promptly offered to give a site for the building on the condition that the crew should be made up entirely of students. The offer was accepted, and for twenty years the college boys have been building up a record second to those of but few lake coast crews through all the changes. Keeper Lawrence O. Lawson has held his boys to a strict discipline for this is not play or mere college athletics it is business. There are but seven members picked from 600 available men, and they must so plan their study and recreation hours that the drills and the other station work will not be misused.

There are beach drills when the Lyle gun is called into play to shoot a line over the wreck on the beach, and when a few small boys are rescued with the breeches buoy, to the envy of less fortunate urchins. On Tuesdays and Fridays mild or stormy the surfboat is in a light house which flashes out several miles at a stretch. Then there are surf boarding and capsize drills signal drills and resuscitation drills. Watches are stood in turn, two hours on, two hours off, all day and all night, and twice between sunset and sunrise the beach is patrolled for several miles.

A mile or so from shore extending from a point nearly opposite the station to one several miles north lies a rock reef. The number of vessels that have been wrecked here during the life of the station runs past the hundred mark in spite of the precautions observed both by the ship captains and by the Government. One mile north of the station, on the Grosbeak Pointe beach, a light house flashes out alternate red and white warning and a steam fog whistle blows every minute in thick weather, but the wrecks continue to occur. Just so long will the Evanston life saving boys be called upon to lay out the bodies of the dead, and to risk health and life in the rescue. Already they have been rewarded with the Congressional medals which were given to each of the eight men, crew and captain.

On one Thanksgiving eve when the November storms were on every man was held in the station ready for immediate duty. Shortly after 10 o'clock the telephone bell rang. A wreck was reported at Glencoe eight miles up the lake on the second end. Capt. Lawson called up the railroad office but learned that trains were delayed and that the chance of getting the surf boat north before the following day was too slight to be considered. Without hesitation he ordered his horses from a livery stable and would be necessary to drag the laden boat truck every foot of the eight miles over roads that were supposed to be impassable and straight into the teeth of the storm. It was a serious group that gathered about the surf boat, all dressed in woolens and oilskins, but though every man knew what it meant, there was no flinching. They were nearly six hours in covering the eight miles. For the latter part of the distance the crew aided the horses by pulling the boat with their own backs. A freight steamer, stranded about 600 yards beyond the surf, the boat was dragged up to a point above the wreck, and then thence a moment's rest, for it was evident that the work had only just begun. At intervals of about half an hour the surf boat was lowered into the lake. The waves curving down from the northeast, struck these at an angle and were thrown back with such force that the whole shoreline was a battle of surf and of pounding ice. While the surf boat was being lowered, the crew of the army officers begged him to give it up.

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The wrecked steamer was lying on the reef with stern submerged with bow high and firm. Huddled on the forecastle or lashed to the rigging were 35 men and women, all of whom were spent with cold and with watching through the long night for aid. They had lashed over the bow a ladder which was now coated with snow. Capt. Lawson feared that to carry more than six at a time might render the boat unmanageable in such a sea, so that number were lowered, and the return trip was made without accident. After that five more launches were successfully made, and not only the 36 people but the greater part of their belongings were brought safely to shore. The crew boys who had worked continuously for fifteen hours returned to Evanston late in the afternoon and resumed the customary routine of watches.

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She—And which of you takes care of that?—Life.

I am told that he is her fifth husband.

Say, it must be awful to a man to feel that his wife looks on him as a mere habit!—Indianapolis Journal.

Chickering—Some of the new houses about here are so narrow that a piano cannot be put in.

Bass (excitedly)—You don't know the rent of the houses next door to them, do you?

A new musical directory of "Greater New York" contains the names of about 18,000 professional musicians. It would be interesting to see a directory containing the names of the persons who will pay for lessons and concerts from these 18,000 musicians.

A writer in the Ladies' Home Journal says that 20 years separated the first conception and the final completion of the score of "The Nibelungen" series of operas; 22 years between the first sketch and the last stroke of the pen on "Die Meistersinger," while "Parsifal" was in latency 25 years. And yet Oscar Hammerstein finished his imperishable opera, "The Kohinoor," in 24 hours.

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BOSTON TO ANDOVER. A. M. 6.50 ar. in Andover 7.30; 7.30 ar. 8.30; 8.30 ar. 9.30; 9.30 ar. 10.30; 10.30 ar. 11.00; 11.00 ar. 12.00 P. M. 12.15 ar. 12.30; 12.30 ar. 1.30; 1.30 ar. 2.15; 2.15 ar. 3.45; 3.45 ar. 4.30; 4.30 ar. 5.40; 5.40 ar. 6.45; 6.45 ar. 7.30; 7.30 ar. 8.30; 8.30 ar. 9.30; 9.30 ar. 10.30; 10.30 ar. 11.00; 11.00 ar. 12.00. SUNDAY: 7.30 ar. 8.30; 8.30 ar. 9.30; 9.30 ar. 10.30; 10.30 ar. 11.00; 11.00 ar. 12.00.

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LAWRENCE TO ANDOVER. A. M. 6.40, 7.35, 7.10, 7.57, 8.17, 9.00, 10.10, 10.25, 12.00. P. M. 12.35, 1.00, 2.30, 4.15, 5.35, 7.00, 9.22.

SUNDAY: 7.35, 8.15 P. M. 12.10, 4.20, 5.35, 6.46, 7.57, 7.45.

*From South side.

ANDOVER TO SALEM. MASS. A. M. 6.55, ar. 8.47; 7.43 ar. 8.40; 12.40 ar. 1.57; 1.58 ar. 2.35; 5.40 ar. 7.00; 5.46 ar. 6.57.

SALEM TO ANDOVER, MASS. A. M. 7.00 ar. 8.00; 7.15 ar. 8.30; 11.30 ar. 12.37. P. M. 2.00 ar. 3.01; 4.16 ar. 5.40; 4.35 ar. 5.46; 6.00 ar. 7.15.

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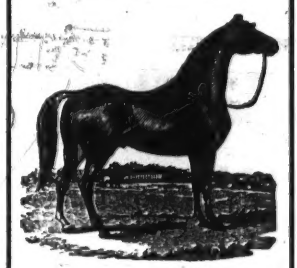
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The Most Important Question.

There was never a time in the history of town improvement and growth when the spirit of beautifying and adorning public grounds was so much in evidence as it is to-day.

Andover is not up with the procession in this particular, but the awakening among our citizens as such as to promise much for the future. The one vital need in the whole Andover scheme for growth along these lines is an issue to come before next Monday's meeting in the consideration of the Richardson field.

There does not seem to be much left for the TOWNSMAN to say in urging this desirable improvement. The location of this land is all that could be possibly desired, in choosing a place for a central common in Andover. Its contiguity to the school grounds, already started on the road to parkdom, make it particularly desirable, as a playground for the youth of the town, and its water course, level contour and surrounding streets are an invitation to the landscape gardener, that could result in nothing else but a beautiful spot by the time another decade had passed by.

The expense cannot fail to be large when viewed as a jump sum for something that does not at just this time seem to be a necessity, but it is but a trifle compared to what many towns, with much less reason for having such improvements, have spent in similar projects.

The TOWNSMAN heartily and earnestly urges this question to the favorable consideration of our citizens next Monday, believing that in years to come no man will regret the small burden which his share in it will be found to be.

Editorial Cinders.

The caucuses of the past week have demonstrated again the absurdity of having two meetings in which to nominate candidates for town officers. All the voters in Andover are citizens and have a right to go into a citizens' caucus. Four-fifths of the same are republicans and have an equal right in a Republican caucus, so that the attendance at both caucuses is largely the same. The Australian caucus system is so cumbersome, that those who use it are as dissatisfied, as are many Andover citizens with the method now in vogue here.

The remedy should be a simple legislative change by which two or more candidates can be brought before the voters on election day for choice. It does not need a long drawn out preliminary meeting, nor two or three meetings of the same voters. Here is a chance for genuine reform legislation.

If our representative is correctly quoted in the Boston papers, his statements in regard to the value of Phillips Academy to the town of Andover, at the hearing on taxation last Wednesday, were altogether too radical.

We should say most emphatically that no one force in the life of the town is of as much value to the town, by the business it creates or the population it brings within our borders, as is Phillips Academy. To go further, it is much less extravagant than the remark attributed to Mr. Odlin, to state that Phillips Academy is more valuable to the town as a business producing force than all of the town's industries combined.

Prof. Smyth's communication elsewhere goes so deeply into this subject, it is not necessary for further comment here.

Next Monday promises to see considerable independent voting for town officers.

Mr. Chandler has come in as a candidate and this assures at least four tickets for voters to choose from. May it be for the best interest of the town whichever men win.

ROUSING NO-LICENSE RALLY

Mayor Eaton of Lawrence Makes an Eloquent Address on Good Government.

A rousing no-license rally was held in the Town Hall Sunday night. Rev. F. A. Wilson of the Free Church presided. Seated on the stage were Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, John L. Brewster, William G. Goldsmith, H. H. Hill, George T. Eaton, George E. Johnson, J. Newton Cole, E. Kendall Jenkins and Rev. C. P. Pease, Watervliet, N. Y.

A double quartet sang several hymns. The choir consisted of Mrs. W. T. Jackson, Mrs. C. H. Gilbert, Miss Mabel Carter, Miss Maude Marion Cole, Dr. C. H. Gilbert, Colver J. Stope, P. F. Gilbert, and T. F. Pratt.

Mr. Pratt also rendered a solo. David Shaw presided at the organ. A short devotional service was led by Prof. Smyth.

Mayor Eaton of Lawrence was the speaker of the evening. He made an eloquent address on good government. Mr. Eaton declared that men who will deal honestly with other men do not hesitate to deal dishonestly with cities and towns, and urged that the best men should accept office and strive in every way to prevent this looting. Too much partisanship is largely responsible, he argued. He called attention to the lamentable fact that cities and towns are constantly increasing their debts. The practice must stop, he said, for it is dangerous and disastrous.

Mayor Eaton made a strong plea for a most strict observance of the Sabbath. He referred at length to the license question, explaining how strongly the liquor men are organized. He called attention to the things that their organization is trying to do and urged all to be on the alert to defeat them. The four things referred to were: 'The attempt of the liquor men to take away the force of the objection of an abuttor to his neighbor selling liquor, the attempt to take away local option as to license, the attempt to have a fixed price for licenses, and the attempt to secure permission to have saloons open a portion of holidays.'

Regarding the baneful effects of liquor licenses, Mayor Eaton said: "License advocates argue that the license fees bring us in a round \$100,000. They do bring us in that money, but let us count the cost of it all. Three fifths of the expense of our pauper department is caused by the licensed sale of liquor, one half the expense of the police department is caused by liquor, and to the same cause can be attributed three fifths of the expense of our prisons and courts. Where then is that \$100,000?"

But the effect of liquor licenses is still more far reaching. The liquor dealers each year rob our butchers, our grocers, our clothiers, etc., of hundreds of thousands of dollars, which our citizens spend for drink. In Lawrence there is much less illegal liquor selling than there was. The law says they shall not sell it on Sundays and I tell you they shall not sell it, while I have anything to say about it. The mayor said that he hoped there was no illegal liquor selling in Andover, "but if there is," he said, you must knock out the men who sell it. Do it with one blow, for that is the only way to ensure success. If you would whip a man you must knock him down at the first. If you slap him in the face, he may whip you."

In the mayor's opinion Andover should be the last place on earth to vote for license, since the influence of the town is so widely felt. He said that the many young men and women who come to Andover for an education are influenced by the laws which are enforced in the town and will be likely to help secure the enforcement of similar laws when they go out to take their places in life. "Through its students," the mayor said, "the influence of Andover is world wide."

The speaker said that much depends upon the women in the license question. He urged them to use their influence with their fathers, brothers and husbands against licensing the sale of liquor, declaring that they could do much in that way to secure the vote they desire.

Quarterly Report of Soldiers' Aid Society.

Two meetings have been held since the last report. The new materials left from the summer's sewing were given to the Andover Guild.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Helen Keller at Abbot.

Helen Keller was at Abbot Academy last Saturday. She was very interesting, and when she came up the street, she lifted up her skirts when she came to a pool of water, and then let them down when she got past, like any Fem Sem. She talked well under the circumstances and talked to the girls for about an hour.

When one of the girls asked Helen why she went to Radcliffe instead of Wellesley, she answered that she didn't know, but perhaps because the boys were there.

Later in the afternoon she went to Miss Reed's dancing school. It was not much fun for the dancers because she knew when they got out of step by the vibration of the floor. She also kept time with her foot.

BOFFIN.

Card of Thanks.

John F. Nuckley and family desire to express their sincere gratitude to neighbors and friends for the kindness and sympathy extended to them during their recent bereavement.

Republican Caucus.

The Republicans of Andover held a large and lively caucus in the town hall Friday evening. Charles Greene and W. H. Higgins were the successful candidates for nomination as selectmen. George W. Chandler was defeated for nomination as highway surveyor by Joseph T. Lovejoy. The vote was a very close one.

John N. Cole, chairman of the Republican town committee called the caucus to order at 7:45 P. M. Mr. Cole was chosen chairman of the caucus and John W. Bell secretary.

Mr. Cole said that the legality of the call had been questioned, because it did not require the use of an official ballot. He explained that the objection did not appear to hold in Andover since the town had not accepted the caucus act specified.

William Odlin moved that candidates for nomination for selectmen be chosen by ballot. John Dearborn of Ballardvale said he objected to Democratic candidates running in a Republican caucus, and he moved that W. H. Higgins be nominated by acclamation. Mr. Odlin's motion prevailed.

Arthur Bliss, Albert S. Manning, and Howell F. Wilson were appointed checkers.

Harry Eames, George W. Foster and Barnett Rogers were chosen tellers.

After the ballot for selectmen in the centre district, an attempt was made to have Charles Greene nominated for the south district by acclamation, but it failed, as the chairman ruled that Mr. Cole's motion covered both ballots for selectmen.

Walter H. Coleman, who was nominated on the board of public works at the citizens' caucus announced that he wished to withdraw in favor of W. S. Jenkins.

The result in detail:

For Selectmen, Centre district—W. H. Higgins, 135; W. G. Goldsmith, 127; blanks, 3. South district—Charles Greene, 148; John S. Stark, 97; H. S. Bailey, 1. Highway Surveyor—First ballot: George W. Chandler 125; J. T. Lovejoy 126; G. T. Abbott, 1. Second ballot: G. W. Chandler, 85; J. T. Lovejoy, 87. Mr. Lovejoy was declared the nominee.

Town clerk and collector of taxes—Abraham Marhael.

Treasurer—George A. Parker.

School committee—John N. Cole, Thomas David, John Alden.

Board of public works—John H. Flint and Felix S. Haynes for three years, James F. Butterfield and William S. Jenkins for two years, and John L. Smith for one year.

Sewer commissioner—John E. Smith.

Water commissioner—John H. Flint.

Park commissioner—C. L. Carter.

Board of health—Howell F. Wilson.

Constables—George E. Kears, W. L. Fry, Elmer H. Shattuck.

Public library trustee—F. S. Boutwell.

Auditors—C. B. Jenkins, G. A. Higgins, W. Byron Morse.

Moderator—George H. Poor.

Reception at the Guild House.

Yesterday afternoon, in spite of the storm, the Andover Guild House presented a cheerful aspect to the many friends who gladly braved the weather to accept its hospitality. In the lower room on the right of the front door, the excellent work of the class in Sloyd could be examined at leisure. It was well worth close observation, and deserved much praise for its admirable precision and neatness. In this room could be seen numerous attractive photographs of incidents in the summer Play School. In the room above, Miss Sweet's class in physical culture went through its evolutions to the music of the piano. The class showed alertness and grace, and the class drew credit to the careful training of its graceful teacher. Samples of sewing were found in the reception room; and, to crown all, chocolate and cake was served to everyone by little girls in white caps. The cakes were so delicate they might have been made by fairy fingers. They were, however, done by Miss Abbott's pupils of the cooking classes, causing all who tasted to wish that some member of these classes might become domiciled in every Andover household.

The class in shirtwaist-making began its work last evening. It can take a few more pupils. The adult class in cooking has not as yet made up the required number.

P. A. Senior Banquet.

Sixty-eight members of the senior class of Phillips Academy witnessed the matinee performance of the "Belle of New York" at the Boston Museum last Saturday and attended the banquet at the Parker house in the evening. Prof. Forbes and Mr. McCurdy represented the faculty.

"Bud Brier," in his column, "Under the Rose" in the *Globe*, has the following: "Gentlemanly conduct always commends itself, as in the case of a lot of Andover college boys who came down to Boston to enjoy the drama. During the progress of the play they deported themselves like the gentlemen they really were, but between the acts their pent up enthusiasm was compelled to effervesce. Yet it was all done in the politest way. The lads retired to the smoking room, gave their college yells several times, indulged in the various antics of which only freshmen are capable, then returned decorously to their block of seats, without disturbing anybody in the least. My friend, Mr. Sam McKee, tells me that was one of the nicest things he ever saw done by a Boston Museum audience—or by any other audience, for that matter—and it proved to him that the manners of college boys at the theatre are improving, as against the old days when a general rumus was frequently stirred up by this same class of patrons. After all polite ness pays best."

Andover Soldier Legislators.

Five Andover men, who were in the Union Army in the Civil war and have since served this state as members of the legislature, attended the ninth annual reunion of the "Boys of '61-'65" at the United States Hotel last Monday. They are Peter D. Smith and Charles Greene, of the First Mass. Heavy Artillery, James B. Smith of the 3rd Mass. Infantry, John L. Smith and George H. Poor of the 35th Mass. Infantry. Mr. Smith was president of the Association the past year and presided on this occasion. He is succeeded by Hon. Geo. A. Marden of Lowell.

Musical Club Anniversary.

The Ladies Musical and Literary club held its fourth anniversary Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Arthur Cox of Whittier Street. An entertainment of much merit was furnished by the club members and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number of their friends present. The program was as follows:

Address of Welcome, Mrs. W. H. GOODWIN.
Piano duet, Mrs. GOODWIN, AND Mrs. COX. Flotow
Vocal solo, Mrs. FRED WILBUR. Heins
Violin duet, Mrs. GRACE CLEMENS. Saint Saens
Piano solo, Mrs. W. BYRON MORSE AND Mrs. GOODWIN. Gabel
Vocal duet, Mrs. W. BYRON MORSE AND Mrs. GOODWIN. a Bohm
Violin solo, Mrs. ALICE COX. b Moffat
Vocal solo, Mrs. WALTER GRAY. Pinioti
Piano solo, Mrs. GOODWIN. Chopin
Quartette, Mrs. GRAY, Mrs. MORSE, Miss BUCHAN, Mrs. Lamothe
GOODWIN.
Recitation, "The Wreck," Mrs. E. R. BARTON.
Violin duet, Misses ALICE AND LOTTIE COX. Moret
Piano solo, Mrs. EVA CLARK. Kevia
Vocal solo, Miss MARY LINDAY. Weber
Violin duet, Miss CLARK AND Mrs. GOODWIN.
Dialogue, Mrs. RICHARD FINLEY, Mrs. DAVID LINDAY, Mrs. ABBOTT EMMING, DAVID LINDAY.
Tableau, "The Light of Other Days," Mrs. JOSEPH THOMPSON.
Tableau, "Little Mischief," Mrs. THOMPSON AND Miss FLORA LINDAY.
Tableau, "The Bachelor's Dream," Misses ADELIA, ALICE AND LOTTIE COX, Miss EVA CLARK, Miss GRACE CLEMENS AND Mrs. MORSE.
Tableau, "Barbarians," Mrs. AND Mrs. WALTER GRAY, Miss MARY LINDAY, Miss FLORA LINDAY.

All the numbers on the program were heartily applauded. After the entertainment Mrs. Cox served refreshments and a social hour was enjoyed.

The officers of the club are: President Mrs. W. H. Goodwin, vice president Mrs. A. J. Cox, secretary, Mrs. R. Findley, treasurer, Mrs. D. S. Lindsay.

Your Share is 35 Cents.

This sum represents the cost of a ticket to Mrs. Downs's beautiful lecture for the benefit of the teachers' fund to adorn the public school rooms. Every parent should be interested in both the lecture and the object.

The board usually turns gray first, and should be colored to correspond with the color of the hair of the head. Bucking-ham's Dye colors a natural brown or black.

The "Mysterious Explosion."

The explosion, Saturday night, Feb. 18, has caused some questioning and curiosity among Andover people. Two explanations, neither of them verified have been given to the writer. First, that the "Ackley powder mills blew up." The writer could not locate Ackley, or state whether it is the name of a town or a firm. Second, that an investigating Academy boy was experimenting with nitro-glycerine on a tree near Rabbit's Pond. If this be true let the boy rise and explain and forever set our curiosity at rest.

The following paragraph from a Report on the Geology of Massachusetts by Prof. Edward Hitchcock may be a possible explanation of the explosion if the right one is not found.

"The decomposition of pyrites, in large quantities, often produces a considerable degree of heat; and sometimes pieces of rocks are driven off with explosion. This is one of the sources of those numerous stories which one hears in the country, concerning noises heard, and lights with smoke seen in the mountains. Such occurrences excite the belief of the existence of valuable mines in the vicinity, but they evince the existence of nothing more than iron pyrites."

"Hurrah!" he cried. "Hurrah! Another record broken!" Then in their indignation they fell upon him and would have slain had he not explained just in time that he had no reference to the weather records—Chicago Post.



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COMMUNICATIONS

Andover vs. Phillips Academy.

Editor of the Townsman:

One of our townsmen is reported in the Boston Evening Transcript, March 1, to have made the following statements before a committee of the General Court. I number them for convenience of comment. All but the first are published with quotation marks, as if taken from the speaker's manuscript, or otherwise authorized by him.

1. "Andover is compelled by law to support a high school to fit pupils for College, while Phillips Academy, with property worth over a million and a half, is exempted from taxation. The people have to pay taxes to support one school, while Andover is conducted by private interests and is exempt."

As a matter of fact, I understand, the people of Andover are taxed only for maintaining (i. e. heating, lighting, etc.) the school building. In other respects our "high school" is supported, not by taxation, but by the income from a fund. "In Andover property is assessed above market value."

I would respectfully call the attention of the assessors to this assertion. Will they say that in their practice thus to rate real estate?

3. "The College" (i. e. Phillips Academy) including the Theological Institution, "gets all the benefits of the taxes paid, and pays nothing for the benefits."

The Academy paid into the town treasury, on taxes, in 1897, \$2,896.02, a portion under protest; in 1898, \$2,951.52. Of this last sum \$1187 is paid under protest. At the lowest figure, the Academy pays a tax of \$1784.52.

4. "The Academy does not benefit the town of Andover."

This is a broad statement. "Benefit" is something that may be estimated in many ways. Perhaps in the sentence I have quoted, its author has in mind solely dollars and cents. Taken so, how does it stand?

Look first at the Academy, distinct from the Theological Seminary. It received for tuition during its last financial year over twenty-four thousand dollars, mostly from pupils gathered from all parts of the country. This sum went mainly and directly into the pockets of citizens of Andover, and was largely expended here. It is money brought into the town from without.

The Seminary receives no income by tuition. It exists, peculiarly, on the basis of foundations provided, partly by the beneficence of honored citizens of Andover, but mostly by gifts from residents of other places. This income, derived from imported funds, is largely disbursed here. Moreover, apart from persons and families directly connected with these institutions, there is a body of residents, drawn here by the influence of these schools, who contribute in no small degree to the well-being, pecuniary as otherwise, of the community. Then, there are expenditures not already included, by the hundreds of pupils collected. And from this diversified distribution no inconsiderable a sum is gathered into the town treasury. Moreover, the teachers, pupils, and others more or less immediately dependent on the two institutions under the Trustees of Phillips Academy, are taxed by the town, this year, more than three thousand dollars. Adding the Trustee tax, undisputed, and the sum amounts to more than one sixteenth of the entire taxation of the town. It is easy enough to fancy "Andover Hill" covered with avenues lined with palaces, and pouring golden streams into the treasury of some city that has absorbed what the past has consecrated to education. But if such a change should ever seem to be desirable as well as practicable, perhaps the Academy Trustees may be trusted to discern its pecuniary possibilities as soon and as clearly as others, and to use the power committed to them by Samuel Phillips and John Phillips of "removing" the Academy "from the place where it is founded."

But not with these last considerations, fanciful or otherwise, am I now dealing. I have quoted a direct, positive, unadorned assertion, viz. that Phillips Academy "does not benefit the town of Andover"; and I leave it to the consideration of my fellow townsmen, among them its author.

5. "The students do not buy their clothing in Andover. The Academy boarding houses do not buy provisions in the town."

I presume the larger boarding houses buy as do grocers and others, in the larger markets. But neither this practice nor any changes in trade through improved means of communication with Lawrence, Lowell or Boston are peculiar to one portion of the community. The statements as to purchases, as I learn by inquiry, need material qualification.

6. "The money that Colleges receive goes to pay professors, not to help poor boys."

From the connection of this statement, it would seem that its author must hold it to be important for the State to reduce the income of educational institutions in order to reduce, or keep from increase, the cost of education. But again I keep to the speaker's statement.

It overlooks the fact that college education, in general, is a provision for the well-being of the community. No student, nor body of students, ever does or can pay for what is received. Buildings, libraries, apparatus, etc., etc., are gradual accumulations. Much thus acquired rises above any market value. Every student is a beneficiary. Then, there are accumulations for the direct aid of boys and young men, who, without such help, could not obtain an education beyond the public school, and very often not beyond what is purely elementary. Phillips Academy, including both institutions, pays out annually in scholarships, and other forms of aid, to students in need, from seven to about eight thousand dollars.

EDBERT C. SMYTH.

"Grievous Taxation."

Editor of Townsman:

DEAR SIR: Will you kindly allow me space in your paper to present a few thoughts which I think will be read with interest and bring thoughtful reflection. I have refrained from offering this until the eleventh hour that it might not be construed a campaign document to influence votes for town officers.

My text is "Grievous Taxation." Next Monday we shall meet in Town Meeting in about thirty minutes seventy-five to one hundred thousand dollars. Or in other words incur a debt to that amount for 1899. Our Selectmen (whoever they may be) become at once a committee of ways and means to provide for its payment. And this is to be done upon the assessed valuation of polls and estates (with proper discrimination) throughout the town. We note some recent "reports" uncollected taxes to the amount of \$28,000. We would ask upon what class of our citizens does this mainly rest? We read also, with much interest, of the con-

trovery between our town and our time-honored institution of "the Hill," who refuse taxes, first because of "want of income," second, taking refuge behind Legislative enactments which, though legal perhaps, is by no means just, holding and occupying the most suitable and valuable (for building sites) of our town's domain, and in the full enjoyment of all the modern improvements, both useful and pleasurable, while a large percentage of our honest toiling yeomanry, living a little more remote, share none of these things but must pay the "utmost farthing." Is it of this class that the delinquent taxpayer is found? And if so, is there not sufficient cause for it?

"Seed time and Harvest shall not fail," (says the Good Book), or has it? The God of Harvest has smiled most graciously and abundantly upon the husbandman. But what of the results? Brought face to face with southern and western products which not only fill our market places but the same are hawked almost daily at our very doors, at prices far below cost of production here. And this the result of newer and richer soils, cheaper labor, extensive farm, improved machinery, prompt delivery and rapid transit. And this, a condition without remedy.

And thus our farmers who toil from early morn to later eve, with strictest economy, find at the end of each harvest a deficiency in funds to pay taxes and provide for the necessary wants of the family for the approaching winter.

And what next—mortgages, to pay back bills and increase the burden further.

Is it a wonder that our farmers are discouraged, utterly appalled and (speechless at our Town Meeting) at the thoughtless or heartless extravagance and the burdens continually heaped upon them? In view of these facts farm property must be, and is, steadily depreciating. Hence there is need of especial consideration for this class of our citizens at least.

We come now to consider for a moment especially that part of our town now under a dark cloud (no silver lining) and with scarce a ray of hope for the future.

How about taxes here? "The mill survives," and it is all there is left. Aside from their demands for employees, (and limited) the population must and is daily decreasing. Our tenement houses (some forty or more) are without occupants. Our traders are despondent. In fact, funds are short all around to meet current expenses. Sales of real estate are only forced ones. As witness the fact that all sales of such made within the past three years have not brought on an average of 50 per cent of town valuation; and one piece of 50 acres of land taxed at \$3000 brought (free of taxes) but \$200.

Our banks are chary of loans, making such only on choice of property, at nominal values, and at high rate of interest. Our insurance companies cancel their risks, consenting to take only such as are reasonably safe, at low cost and higher rate of premium. And in addition to all this, the property of the village stands assessed on the valuation of 1890 when everything was bright and "booming."

We apply for reasonable rebate of taxes. The answer is "No. Our town has voted to raise from 80 to 100 thousand dollars, and the same must be met." We are allowed three to five hundred for Abatement of Taxes which should be as much as a thousand to meet the situation. I could cite many other instances of the grievous effects here of our heavy taxes. I will not attempt here to criticize the management of our town officials, for their business is to spend all moneys placed in their hands, but rather only as a citizen, desire and hope at our coming town meeting that the voters will see the necessity of some form of retrenchment, and with sense of justice bring relief at least, to our hard-toiling yeomanry and tillers of the soil.

Respectfully,

H. M. HAYWARD.

BALLARDVALE, MASS., FEB. 27, 1899.

"Hobbies Upheld."

Mr. Editor:

Like several other people I was obliged to miss the lecture given by Mr. Pettie last Friday, on the very interesting topic he chose. I was very sorry, for it is one of my favorite topics for reflection.

I know it is not always fair to criticize a person's remarks from the reports which are received second-hand, but I feel that I should like to say a word or two on what I have understood from the present on what seemed to be the burden of the lecture, for I think there is another side to the question.

The main idea, as I understand it, was that a student should be allowed no choice in the matter of work until he gets through college; if he has any special aptitude for mathematics, deny him the opportunity of devoting special attention to the study in which he excels and make him study Greek; whatever talent he may have received by nature, smother and try to acquire some other kind of mind for which he has no gift.

Now I object very strenuously to such a doctrine and I think if I read aright the signs of the times the whole trend of our American educational system is away from such limitations and prescriptions.

Pres. Eliot, who is, beyond all controversy, the leader of the advance movement in our country, always pleads for freedom of choice in studies; for broadening of the courses; for enrichment of the field of choice, even down into the grammar school. And to teach that there should be hard and fast lines in the course of study by which every mind is forced to grind through the same mill has an antiquated flavor which to us moderns is very distasteful.

And I believe that it is wrong to teach this to the teachers in our public schools, in a town which prides itself on its educational systems.

I have already taken advantage of the public school system and I hope to be able to enjoy its benefits in the future; but I don't want the teachers ready to nip in the bud any special talent which the young minds may show.

I believe heartily in "hobbies." I believe they have saved for the right more children than anything else, and I hope that the children of mine will have "hobbies," if they are nothing more than "bits," if they are nothing more than bits of mind for which he has no gift. But let them work into some line of study which will arouse their interest and on which time and energy may be spent with profit. Give them each a hobby.

There is I believe a scriptural doctrine to the effect that we are not to neglect our talent, but rather to develop and expand it, rather than to smother it. Not study Greek if we have an aptitude for mathematics.

Present day teachers hear a good deal about methods and psychology, and one of the points most frequently emphasized is that the teacher must watch the pupil and grasp the precious opportunity when the momentary enthusiasm may be fixed and made a permanent possession, and to that end the greatest freedom from restraint is necessary.

As Prof. James says in current *Atlantic Monthly*: "The proper pedagogic moment to work in skill and to clinch the useful habit is when the native impulse is most acutely present. Crowd on the athletic opportunities, the mental arithmetic, the verse-learning, the drawing, the botany or what not, the moment you have reason to think the hour is ripe."

I think that means cultivate "hobbies." Develop your talent; how much preferable to the rules of grammar and arithmetic and the things about geography all of which you and I, Mr. Editor, have long since forgotten, and for which we should be duly thankful.

I remember a few years ago Mr. R. J. Burdette wrote a piece which was widely copied on this subject of "hobbies," in which he advised the boys to work along a special line. He said that Mr. Vanderbilt paid his cook \$10,000 per year. For what? Not because he knew Greek roots and cube roots. No indeed! Just because he knew vegetable roots and could cook them. Could cook them. That was all he hired him for. Don't you suppose that cook's hobby was cooking and always had been? I do.

It is the man of our idea, the man with a hobby which he rides, who is the man now-a-days who makes a success of life. There is one danger, hobbies are some times hard to handle, but there is very little danger from them. Take my word for it.

"ONE WHO OWNS SEVERAL."

Mr. Flint Declines To Sell.

Editor of the Townsman:

DEAR SIR:—I see there is an article in the Town Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to see if the town will appropriate \$1000 to buy a piece of land of me for an addition to the Carmel Park.

That article was put in without my knowledge or consent. It is true that last year I offered to sell to the Town the piece of land for what the Park Commissioners would estimate it to be taxed for. They estimated it at, and made the price \$1000, and the Town refused to take it for that price. If you will insert this in your next paper the people can read it, and understand how I feel about it.

Yours,

JOHN H. FLINT.

ANDOVER, FEB. 28, 1899.

Mr. Stark Endorsed

To the Editor of the Townsman:

There are a good many men in Andover who do not agree with some of our good friends of Ballardvale who are against Mr. Stark for re-election.

I have seen considerable of Mr. Stark, in the past few years, especially in connection with things in the Poor Department, and I wish to give him his just due, in saying that his wide experience in these matters and deep interest in them, have commended him to me as a valuable official of the town. He may not be as polished as some of our citizens, but his rugged honesty and his long experience call for his re-election next Monday.

In addition to his knowledge of the special work he looks after in Andover, he has formed a wide acquaintance with other city and town officials, that is valuable in dealing with the complex questions of pauper relief.

He deserves and will receive many votes of men who sign themselves as I do.

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BALLARDVALE.

Ballardvale Churches.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Services for Sunday, Mar. 6.

10.30 A. M. Worship with sermon by Rev. Warren F. Landers of Salem, followed by communion. Sunday school to follow morning service. 8.00 P. M. Meeting of Juniors. 6.00 P. M. Y. P. S. C. E. Business meeting. 7.00 P. M. Praise service with address by Rev. Warren F. Landers of Salem. 7.30 P. M. Thursday evening, prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. C. LE VERNER ROBERTS, Pastor. Services for Sunday, Mar. 6. 10.30 A. M. Worship with sermon by Rev. R. B. Miller of Boston, subject "Christian Freedom." Sunday school to follow morning service. 8.00 P. M. Epworth League meeting. 7.00 P. M. Vesper service with address by Rev. R. B. Miller, subject "The Christian Standard." 7.30 P. M. Friday evening, prayer meeting.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank my neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy during our recent trouble and bereavement.

JOHN MORIARTY.

Fred Weld of Attleboro is visiting in the Village.

Miss Sadie Buckley of Melrose is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Kate Mintahan of Lawrence spent Wednesday with her friends in the Vale.

Miss Edith Fish of North Andover was the guest Sunday of her friend, Miss Nettie Shaw.

Miss Eva McIntyre of Boston is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shaw, Central Street.

Miss Eva C. Brackett is visiting her sister, Mrs. Emily Whitney of Watertown, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard S. Clemons have moved from Reading to their new home in Wakefield.

Rev. Warren P. Landers of Salem will preach at the Congregational Church next Sunday.

Rev. R. B. Miller of Boston University will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday.

The Whist Club met last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Gardner, Tewksbury Street.

Two new propositions for membership were presented at the meeting of Ballardvale Lodge, No. 105, held last Monday evening.

Quite a number of Vale people have attended "The Belle of New York" at the Boston Museum during the past week.

Mrs. J. W. Ramsay, our new milliner, arrived in town last Tuesday. Mrs. Ramsay will open her new store on Andover street in the near future.

A meeting of the Congregational Ladies' Society will be held next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Manley Barber, Tewksbury street.

At a special meeting of the Congregational Church held last Thursday evening it was voted unanimously to extend a call to the Rev. Edwin Smith of Bedford to become their pastor.

J. P. Bradlee Hose Company, by special invitation, attended the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith at their home in the Centre last Wednesday evening. A very enjoyable occasion was reported.

There were about 35 persons present at the C. E. Fagot Social held in the Congregational Church vestry, last Tuesday evening. Each one present brought in their tag in the form of a reading, conundrum, game, etc. Light refreshments were served. An exceptionally enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

The lecture in the Bradlee course last Wednesday evening by the Rev. E. T. Pitts, subject, "Some Fools and their Follies," was unusually good. The speaker presented his thoughts and ideas in such a reasonable and eloquent manner that they could not help but make a deep and lasting impression on all present. As one of the ladies was heard to remark, "It was one of the best temperance lectures ever given in the Vale."

Friday was the last evening of the Methodist Fair held in Bradlee Hall. There was a large attendance. The following program was rendered in a very effective manner: violin duet, by the Misses Martha and Mary Hodges of Andover; piano solo, Miss Lilla Smith of Andover; recitation, Miss Pearl Nasop; piano solo, Miss Lilla Smith; recitation, Miss Pearl Nasop. The Fair netted \$130 and was a complete success in every particular.

The annual meeting of the Union Congregational Society was held in the vestry last Thursday evening. The following named persons were elected officers: Moderator, Felix G. Haynes; clerk and treasurer, Howell F. Wilson; trustee for three years, Charles Green; auditor, Charles H. Marland. The report of the treasurer showed the finances of the society to be in a flourishing condition, there being a balance of \$245 in the treasury. Voted to extend a vote of thanks through our clerk to the treasurer of the Ballardvale Mills for their very generous gift of \$100. Voted unanimously to concur with the Church in extending a call to Rev. Edwin Smith of Bedford to become their pastor. Voted that the music committee provide an organist for the Thursday evening prayer meeting.

Mrs. Mary (Lawrence) Salmon died suddenly last Monday evening about 12 o'clock, of heart failure at the advanced age of 75 years, 4 months. The deceased was born in Arbroath, Scotland, in 1823. At the age of 19 she married David Salmon. In 1854 Mr. and Mrs. Salmon moved to America and settled in North Andover, where she lived for many years. She was a member of the Congregational Church of this village. She was a very kind parent and was greatly beloved by her children and friends. She leaves four daughters, Mrs. Mary A. Higgins of Haverhill, Mrs. Margaret Griffin of Haverhill, Mrs. Albert E. Willard of East Somerville, Miss Lizzie Salmon, and one son, David Salmon of Boston, to mourn her loss. The funeral took place from her late home on Andover Street, Thursday forenoon at 11.30 o'clock, and was conducted by Rev. C. LeYone Roberts. Interment in the family lot in Windham, N. H.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Joint Committee of the Judiciary will give a hearing on House Bill 391 for the change of name of Lawrence Police Court and larger jurisdiction, at 10.30 A.M. on Tuesday, March 14, at the State House, Boston, Room 227.

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An editorial in the Chicago Times-Herald of December 23 says: "For the benefit of the uninitiated, who have neither the time nor inclination to follow the records of newspapers, the Times-Herald would say that never in the history of journalism was incorruptibility as necessary to newspaper influence and success as today. Their position depends on public confidence in the general reliability of their news and the honesty of their views."

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"Men who betray their profession by selling favors or suppressing the truth find the sidewalk, where they wander in disgrace and unimpeded impunity. 'Newspapers are full of mistakes and injustice, but not through venality.'"

"There are exceptions to the rule of newspaper incorruptibility, but the exceptions are rare, detection and exposure sure, and the penalty ostracism. 'The reason for this is easily understood. Public confidence is the only sure base of newspaper influence. It can only be gained by unvarying honesty of motive and action. One instance of selling newspaper influence forfeits that confidence and damages the man or journal guilty of it beyond redemption.'"

"National Printer-Journalist."

DUTY HAS ITS CONSOLATION.

"There's one thing," said the philanthropic wife, "that I must say about that man you dislike so much. He always gets up early in the morning and cleans the snow off in a public-spirited way."

"Yes," was the answer. "He couldn't miss the satisfaction of annoying people by the noise that the shovel makes."

The Syracuse Standard tells of an amusing correspondence that recently took place between a Wisconsin farmer and a local boiler firm. The farmer wrote as follows:

Dear Sirs—I have a 1000 acres of trees that I want cut. I'm poor but I'm willing to pay two hundred dollars for an engine that will do my work.

The boiler firm saw that the engine necessary to accomplish the devastation of his virgin forest would cost \$3000, and they informed him to this effect.

A week passed and then the following pithy epistle came from the Wisconsin woods:

Dear Sirs—What in time wud I want of an engine or boiler if I had \$3000?

I hear that you have got a job at last Billy.

I have secured a position Jim. How much pay do you get a day? My salary is \$1.25 per diem.—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

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Among Our Neighbors

LAWRENCE

Daniel Cavanaugh is seriously ill at his home on Oak street.

Walter H. Hadley is reported as recovering from his recent illness.

Joseph Paquette of Lowell street has been visiting relatives in Fall River.

Mrs. John Linnehan is confined to her home on Woodland court by illness.

Charles McAleer is confined to his home with an attack of the grip.

Henry Dearborn visited friends in Bradford district, Haverhill, Sunday.

A child was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Callard of 114 Valley street.

George Hill of Melvin street goes to Norwich, Conn., this week for a short stay.

Miss Bessie Gaine of South Lawrence has entered the training school as a teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Arbour of 15 Chandler street are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter.

Miss Winnie Baron is visiting relatives on Park street. Miss Barron formerly resided in Lawrence.

Miss Josephine K. Waldron of Chicopee Falls, is visiting relatives in this city for a week or two.

Mrs. Joseph Shattuck, Jr., has returned from a visit with relatives in Orange, N. J.

Eddie McDuffie, the noted bicyclist, and former Lawrence boy, is now at his home in Malden.

Miss Eleanor Macey will conduct a concert in the city hall March 22, for the benefit of the aged people's home.

Mrs. E. M. Buchanan of Prospect street and Miss Nettie Smith of North Andover visited in Haverhill last week.

Joseph E. Kenyon, clerk in the clothing store of Bicknell Bros., has severed his connection with that concern, after more than 18 years of faithful service, during which he has made scores of friends. Mr. Kenyon will take a brief rest before again entering upon active business life.

The Sigbee Social club held its semi-annual meeting Saturday evening and elected the following officers: William Morgan, president; Edgar Ramabottom vice president; Luke J. Devaney, recording secretary; Herbert Flathers, corresponding secretary; M. Collins, sergeant-at-arms; Edward Clark treasurer. The club will organize a baseball team and commence practice early.

A number of friends of Mrs. Lizzie Gardner of 4 West street, gathered at her home Saturday evening, and through John Beaumont, presented her with three elegant chairs and a hall lamp. Mrs. Gardner thanked her friends and invited them to enjoy themselves on an entertainment, refreshments and games comprised the evening's pastimes. Vocal selections were rendered by Mrs. John F. Donovan, Miss Bessie and Master Ayer and the Mystic quartet, composed of William Bird, William Press, John Robinson and A. Sefton.

CAB TRAIN SERVICE.

In consequence of what has appeared in print relative to the movement inaugurated by the board of trade in favor of improved cab train service between North and South Lawrence, Superintendent Merritt of the Boston & Maine railroad has been in the city looking over the ground. As yet, the board of trade committee has not conferred with the Boston & Maine officials. It is possible that the subject will be discussed at the meeting of the board of trade, Wednesday evening, March 1.

THE ATTEMPT TO KILL CAPRIVI.

Count von Caprivi, who died the other day, lived five years after the supposed Anarchist attempted to kill him and Emperor William by the infernal machines he sent them. These machines were exactly alike and the boxes which contained them were quite small, being only five inches in length. The one sent to Count von Caprivi was accompanied by a note saying that the box contained a new and very fine variety of radish seed. The writer evidently knew that gardening and horticulture were the diversions of Caprivi's leisure hours. Both boxes, excited suspicion, were opened with the greatest caution and were found to be infernal machines of a deadly character.

The greatest fatality ever caused by an infernal machine is known as the Bremerhaven explosion, and it occurred near the end of 1875, when a fellow who called himself Thomas, and was said to be an American, took up his residence with his family in Bremen. His finances were at a low ebb, and to replenish them he conceived the idea of sending to America some worthless, but highly insured packages of goods. By the same vessel he intended to ship an infernal machine, which was to have exploded a few days after the vessel had left port. The explosion occurred, however, just before the package was put on board, causing terrible loss of life. Thomas, whose real name was said to be Alexander, charged his machine with nitro-glycerine, which he had procured in America, and purchased the clockwork and the case containing the machine in Germany. The hammer of the clockwork, which was to act in six days after leaving port, was to strike a blow of thirty pounds weight. In his confession later Thomas said that when testing the clockwork the hammer smashed a mahogany table.

He sent the contrivance to Bremerhaven to be shipped on the vessel for New York via South Hampton. He himself took passage to the latter port, where he had arranged to ship his cases of rubbish for New York. The vessel was to leave Bremerhaven on Saturday, Dec. 11, and on that day the infernal machine was sent to the dock, which was crowded with porters, passengers and their friends. For some reason that has never been explained, the heavy case slipped from the crane onto the wharf as it was being lifted up the ship's side, and the charge was instantly exploded. Death and destruction were dealt around 125 men, women and children being instantly killed, while 56 others were terribly wounded. Thomas was waiting on board the ship to receive his case and see it stowed away in the hold, but right after the explosion he went to his cabin, locked the door and shot himself in the head with a revolver. He lingered for several days in the hospital, and made a full confession before he died.

LEAGUE AVERAGES.

The averages in the Merrimack Valley tournament have been made out by Secretary George H. Butters of Methuen. The Pentucket club leads in total points won with the Vesper club second. Brown of the Dalton club won every game of billiards in which he participated and headed the list of players. Wentworth of the Pentucket club was high man in pool, his average being 74%. Grover of the Vespers topped the list of bowlers with 170%. A. Lewis of the Methuen club is second with 168 11-24.

In billiards and pool the averages of players who competed in three or more games is given: In bowling the averages are of those who rolled nine or more strings. The general standing of the clubs was as follows:

	Whist	Pool	Billiards	Bowling	Tennis
Pentucket	7	13	11	7	38
Vesper	5 1/2	6	12	17	34 1/2
Dalton	9	21	12	11	34
Methuen	4	7	3	15	29
Home	3 1/2	3	8	10	24 1/2

The averages of billiard players were: Brown, Dalton club, 150; Donahue, Pentucket, 146 1/4; Atkinson, Dalton, 115 1/4; Farrington, Vesper, 106 1/4; Langdon, Home, 125 1/4; Adams, 122 1-7; A. B. Emmons, Methuen, 122 1-3; Reed, Dalton, 121; Leighton, Vesper, 116; G. B. Emmons, Methuen, 101; Russell, Methuen, 94 5-6.

Averages of pool players: Wentworth, Pentucket, 74%; Carter, Pentucket, 74%; A. K. Chadwick, Vesper, 72%; Henry, Dalton, 70%; Todd, Dalton, 69 6-7; Colby, Methuen, 64 1/4; A. M. Chadwick, Vesper, 60 2-3; Priestman, Home, 60 2-5; A. B. Emmons, Methuen, 59 4-5; Eastman, Home, 59 2-5.

Averages of bowlers: Grover, Vesper, 170%; A. Lewis, Methuen, 168 11-24; William, Vesper, 166 1/4; Butters, Methuen, 165 1/4; Fels, Vesper, 164 17-24; Farnham, Pentucket, 163 3-7; Slater, Pentucket, 161 2-15; C. Lewis, Methuen, 161 1-18; Bruce, Methuen, 160 1/4; Jacoby, Dalton, 160; Clark, Dalton, 159 11-24; Hill, Vesper, 159 5-12; Pond, Home, 157 2-3; Sherman, Home, 156 23-24; Gall, Methuen, 156 7-9; Adams, Vesper, 156 5-7; Noyes, Dalton, 155 1-24; Day, Home, 154 1-6; Badger, Dalton, 152 11-12; Dow, Home, 151 4-5; Glines, Pentucket, 151 2-3; Robinson, Home, 150; Masure, Pentucket, 147 1-18; Stickton, Methuen, 146 1/2; Dow, Pentucket, 145 1/2.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

State Board of Health, Feb. 27, 1899.

MR. ROSCOE DOBLE, Clerk of Board of Health, Lawrence, Mass.

Dear Sir—Enclosed you will find the results of the analysis of the different wells and springs, samples of which were obtained on January 24 and 27 last. Many of them show considerable pollution, according to the amount of chlorine present, and I believe, samples taken subsequently have shown much the same results.

Yours respectfully, FRANK L. MORSE.

The results of the analysis referred to are in tabulated form. The amount of chlorine in the various springs and wells is as follows:

City hall well,	1.60
Cold Spring,	0.51
Crystal mineral spring,	0.55
North spring,	0.88
Smith's spring,	4.80
Valley's spring,	0.48
Judge Wright's well,	0.61
Barker street spring,	0.49
Well, corner Broadway and	2.41
Haverhill street	0.63
Burnham's spring,	1.69
Kelley's well,	1.69
Well, corner Lowell street and	10.83
Broadway,	1.59
Well, Smith's machine shop,	0.83
Spring,	0.83
Archibald's well,	0.83

From the above table it will be seen that the amount of chlorine in the well at the corner of Lowell street and Broadway makes the water unfit to drink. The board of health will have the use of the well discontinued.

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The ordinance creating an additional high school loan of \$50,000 was passed through its final stages at meetings of the city government Monday night.

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LAWRENCE Y. M. C. A. WINS.

The fourth and concluding game of the series between the local and Lowell Y. M. C. A. basketball teams was played in the gymnasium here Saturday night. The local team won after a hotly contested match by a score of 6 to 3. The series stands 3 to 1 in the Lawrence team's favor.

So stubborn was the resistance on both sides, that only two goals from the floor were made during the game. Both were made by local players. The three points credited to the visitors were baskets scored by free throws in consequence of fouls. The local team also secured two baskets on fouls. The summary.

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North Andover News

The auditor's report has been issued. Eddie Sargent is confined to the house with an attack of scarlet fever.

Mrs. Chandler of Auburndale is the guest of Mrs. Laura M. Phipps.

Miss Fannie Stevens has been visiting friends in Quincy.

Miss Gertrude Hanford has been visiting relatives in Haverhill.

J. G. Chadwick & Son will enlarge their greenhouses this season.

The smoke from the Haverhill fire was discernible here Friday morning.

Miss Maude Randall has been the guest of her cousin Miss Anna M. Tucker.

An official board meeting was held at the Methodist church Tuesday evening.

The February meeting of the J. H. S. Alumni Association is called for this evening at 7:45 o'clock.

Miss Katharine Parsloe left town Wednesday for a visit with relatives in Somerville, N. J.

The last meeting of the overseers of the poor was held at the town farm Monday afternoon.

Presiding Elder Knowles of the Lynn district will conduct the fourth quarterly conference at the Methodist church, Tuesday evening, March 12.

Miss Louise Morse, a teacher in the public schools of Northfield is a guest of the Misses Edna and Cora Holt. Her vacation continues until April.

A load of hay on the electric car track near the town house prevented cars reaching the terminus at the Centre between the hours of 9 and 12 o'clock Thursday.

John H. Fuller and family are contemplating removing to the tenement on High Street, in the same house with Charles Adams. Joan Meserve will take one of Mr. Fuller's horses and Mr. Fuller will keep the other for delivering groceries.

Mrs. White, the eldest sister of H. M. Whitney died at Sunny Slope farm, Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, after a brief illness of pneumonia and heart trouble. Her age was 76 years. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon. Rev. A. H. Amory of Grace church officiated. The interment was in Lawrence.

Mrs. Adeline (Whitcher) Ordway, widow of the late Joshua Ordway, who for several years has been living in the family of Jacob Farnum, died of grip and pneumonia Friday, after an illness of several days. The lady was 82 years of age. During one of a series of visits to the patient it was found that she had passed away while sitting in her chair. Funeral services were held Monday at the home of her son in Haverhill.

Miss Eleanor T. E. Macy of Boston of the New England Conservatory school of elocution and dramatic art is arranging for a concert to be given in the hall, Lawrence, March 22, in aid of the Lawrence home for aged people. Miss Macy it will be remembered appeared in the Duncanson concert a few months ago and was the subject of such favorable criticism that doubtless many of our townspeople will be ready to second her present effort in aiding a most deserving charity in which some of our best people are interested.

At the meeting of the Juvenile Temple, Saturday afternoon the following program was rendered: Recitation, Fred Morton; song, Willie Thomson; duet, Alice Kirk, Gertrude Brown; recitation, Maggie Tilton; recitation, Clara Hayes; trio, Willie Thomson, Maud Howes, Eva Looker; reading, Frank Curley; recitation, Alice Nelson; recitation, Oliver Kirk; recitation, Thomas Nelson; recitation, Sadie Young; declamation, Oliver Kirk; recitation, Eva Looker; duet, Jeanie Nelson, Willie Thomson; address, Miss Fannie Hayes, superintendent of the Juvenile Temple.

There was a good representation of members of the J. H. S. Alumni association Tuesday evening some 25 responding to roll call. The records of the secretary and treasurer were read and approved and Miss Mary Mahoney made a report of progress for the executive committee to whom had been entrusted the mid-winter reception. The following graduates were admitted to active membership: Helen E. Roache, Annie B. Ellison, Mrs. Elizabeth (Kelley) Reid, Fred G. Foss, Harry A. Josselyn, Edith S. Fish, Mabel J. Cheney, Honorary members, Emma Cixley, George G. Chadwick. The question of the June reception was informally discussed and upon motion of Miss Annie L. Sargent the matter was referred to the executive committee with full power. After the business session a social season was enjoyed under the direction of George Meserve, Albert Currier, Roland Prescott, with Miss Emily Oates and Miss Mary E. Geaney as leaders.

Under the direction of the social committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, a "Character Party" was held in the church vestry, the grand march being led by Josiah Allen Bassett and Samantha Allen Merrill. Following the benign couple were Betsey Bobbitt Currier, Samantha's "Joe" Ruth Hamilton, Liberty, Blanche Kelley, the Tribune, Miss Prescott; the old fashioned girl, Anna Field; Geo. Washington, Winnie Steders; Virginia, Miss Jacobs; little Red Ridinghood, Miss Anna Duncan; Mrs. Booth, Miss Amelia Duncan; Florence Nightingale, Miss Brodie; Mrs. Cleveland, Mrs. Edith Brown; Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Miss Putney; Mary Lyon, Miss Robinson; Puttin, Miss Sanborn; Anne Bradstreet, Miss Edna Holt; Betsey Barker, Miss Louise Morse; Priscilla, Miss Stillings; Elizabeth Venable, Ethel Watts; Hugh Wynne, Edward W. A. Holt; Cynthia Smith, Emma Ward; Barbara Freitche, Cora Holt; Longfellow, Dr. Smith. Music for the marching about the vestry was rendered by Miss Belle Kouchie and Miss Stillings. Selections were rendered from "The Houseboat on the Styx" by Miss Annie Sargent and Miss Annie Sanborn. A collation of fruit and home made confectionary was served. The costumes of Arthur, Bassett, Miss Currier, Miss Meserve, Miss Jacobs, Mr. Holt, Winnie Steders and Miss Putney were among the noticeable ones. The affair was pleasantly conducted by Miss Stillings, Miss Currier, Miss Cora Holt, Miss Sanborn and Miss Minnie Stevens.

Miss Daisy Wells of Haverhill has been visiting relatives in town.

John Milnes is slowly recovering from a severe attack of rheumatic fever.

Mr. Palmer of Effingham, N. H., has been visiting at the home of B. C. Smith.

Mr. Wood of Newburyport has been a recent guest of Mrs. J. W. Richardson.

Hon. N. P. Frye if confined to his home with an attack of pleurisy.

Alfred Fernandes is able to be out of doors after confinement to the house for several weeks.

Mrs. S. P. Grozeller has sufficiently recovered from the effects of her recent accident so as to be able to ride out.

Arthur Fulton of Sunapee, N. H., has been a recent guest of B. H. Farnum's at the "Homestead."

The Walker stereopticon entertainment will be given at the Methodist Church this evening in aid of church work.

Several representatives of the local grange attended the meeting of patrons of husbandry in Methuen yesterday.

George Mizen has resigned from the employment of the Standard Oil Co., and commenced duties at the bakery of J. F. Sanborn.

Mrs. George H. Miffin has been selected as one of the patronesses of the German play to be given at Harvard, March 6-10.

Town meeting Monday. Polls open at 10 a.m. and may close at 2 o'clock. The usual extension of the time until 3 p.m., is probable, however.

Several of the members of Wauwinet Lodge, I.O.O.F., attended the meeting of Ruth Rebekah Lodge in Haverhill, Wednesday evening.

A stereopticon lecture will be given in the vestry of the Methodist church this evening, for the benefit of the Sabbath school.

At the Sargent exhibition of portraits in Copley hall recently, Mrs. W. F. Apthorpe was present in a handsome gown of white satin.

"Learning by Experience" was the subject of Rev. Mr. Johnston's sermon Sunday morning and the evening topic was "Time is Short."

James M. Craig and Walter Carney will represent Rescue Lodge of Good Templars at the session of the grand lodge to be held in Boston April 12 and 13.

Ass Gould has accepted the position of superintendent of the town farm at North Reading and is succeeded at Meadow Brook farm by Arthur Parker.

The committee in charge of the evening social of the Charitable Union Wednesday consists of Miss Oscar Young, Miss Lavinia Gilman, Mrs. Edward Butterworth.

George L. Harris, William Roberts, Charles Robinson, and Alexander B. Graham attended the working of the royal purple degree of the encampment of Salem last Wednesday. Those who attended are members of Lawrence encampment.

The preliminary rehearsal of the drama "Among the Clouds" which is to be presented under the auspices of the Charitable Union was held in the union rooms Wednesday evening. Nearly all the characters were present. The next rehearsal will be held Monday night with Mrs. J. H. Rea.

MRS. JOSEPH SHEPARD

Mrs. Joseph Shepard, a resident of this town for a quarter of a century, died at her home Monday morning, at the age of 70 years. An attack of pneumonia was the cause of her death. Beside the husband, Joseph Shepard, three children survive, Miss Sarah E. Shepard of town, Charles J. Shepard of Waltham, Mrs. W. P. Dudley of Belmont.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Edward S. Thomas of St. Paul's Church Wednesday afternoon at 1:30, at the late home on Third street, and the graceful simplicity which was a marked feature in the life of Mrs. Shepard, characterized the last services. Fragrant flowers in solemn beauty expressed the affection of kindred and regard of friends. John Somerville, J. G. Crockett, J. F. Sanborn and David Mackie served as bearers. The interment was in Ridge wood.

Card of Thanks.

Appreciating the many acts of neighborly kindness and expressions of tender sympathy during the time of illness and subsequent death of our dear mother, to all who in any way sought by their ministrations or words to brighten dark hours, we extend sincere thanks.

MISSER NANCY AND NELLIE GRAY. No. Andover Mass., Feb. 28, 1899.

There is a bridge in Germany where toll is charged on everything that passes over it, and bicycles are liable to the impost under the description of "small cattle, with driver or attendant."

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Musical.

Those in attendance at the entertainment given in the town hall last evening, under the auspices of the Charitable Union were eminently well pleased with the elocutionary effort of Miss Katherine Neily, of Dorchester, whose versatile talents were made to contribute to the interest, instruction and amusement of the audience, through a series of monologues and other recitations.

Personally pleasing and of good stage presence Miss Neily is equally satisfactory in depicting grave, humorous or pathetic incidents, or selections requiring dramatic intensity, while her rendition of the Scotch dialect is perfect. In fact Miss Neily is a graceful exponent of the modern school of elocution, with a power of expression and a voice clear and fluent.

Master Fred Stone, a favorite soloist gave two pretty selections upon the violin and his musical ability was given due recognition. Miss Etta Stone and Harry Lynch were the piano accompanists. Rev. Charles Noyes introduced the artists and conducted the program which included these selections:

Violin solo, La Virgilio, Bertroni

MASTER FRED STONE, accompanist.

Recitations, "Baby Nell,"

"King Henry's Wedding,"

"Blind Apache,"

"Fleeting Time,"

Monologue, "The Modest Cousin,"

MISS KATHERINE NEILY.

Violin solo, "Petite Heroine," Herrmann

HERMANN LYON, accompanist.

Readings, "Saunders MacGlashen,"

"Old Fashioned Roses,"

"Scene in the Royal Palace," St.

"The Senator Entangled,"

"The Palace of the King,"

MRS. NEILY.

Neighborhood Club.

The Neighborhood gathering at Mrs. Jacob C. Rea's, Tuesday evening included about 50 people and was a happy occasion.

A conundrum pie gave zest to the social feast. Short essays and readings varied with music filled the literary hour. The evening closed with refreshments and a clothespin contest.

The program:

Piano duet, MISS ETHEL COOLIDGE AND MARION REA.

Reading, "One woman's kindness,"

GRACE A. FARNHAM.

Essay, "Life,"

MRS. GEORGE GOODHUE.

Song, "The queen of the earth,"

MR. EDWARD BUTTERWORTH.

Reading, "Aunt Hilda's Hair,"

MISS IDA F. CARLETON.

Piano solo,

MISS BERNIE REA.

Essay, "Adapting one's self to circumstances,"

MISS IDA A. ATKINS.

Essay, "Sunbonnet Days,"

MISS U. F. CARLETON.

Essay, "The rose in history,"

MISS M. A. BERRY.

Song, "An old garden,"

MISS LAURA F. FARNUM.

Reading, "One of Mr. Crowfield's Woods,"

MISS DOLLY FARNUM.

Among the Clouds.

Under the auspices of the Charitable Union a dramatic entertainment will soon be presented in Stevens hall, at an early date. "Among the Clouds" is the title of the play and the following cast of characters will present it:

Philip Ringold, crazy Phil a mountain

hermit, Peter Holt, Jr.

Alfred Thorpe, a city nabob, Albert MacDonald

Amos Gaylord, a country gentleman, Daniel A. Carleton

Howard Gaylord, his son, Arthur Bassett

Titus Turtle, Moses P. Towne

Curtis Chipman, chips in the rough, John Currier

Nat Taylor, Thorpe's protégée, Albert Currier

Grace Ingalls, a young artist, Miss Mabel Fuller

Hester Thorpe, Gaylord's housekeeper, Miss Olive Rea

Susie Gaylord, Gaylord's daughter, Miss Grace Farnham

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Democratic Caucus.

The voters participating in the Democratic caucus, Friday evening numbered 75. The meeting was called to order by A. P. Chickering. Peter Holt, Jr., was chosen chairman and Thomas H. Broderick secretary. P. J. Cases, Harry F. Cunningham, John Collins and W. R. Johnson served as tellers. A ballot decided upon the following candidates for the various town offices:

Moderator—A. P. Chickering, 61.

Town clerk—J. W. Leitch, 51.

Treasurer—Geo. H. Perkins, 51.

Selectmen—John P. Clark 58, P. P. Daw 47, E. W. Moody 21, E. A. Fuller 20, J. A. Ellison 13, William Halliday 11, Alfred Fernandes 7.

School committee—Mary G. Carleton 50.

Trustee Public Library—Annie L. Sargent 23.

Assessors—John P. Clark 55, P. P. Daw 43, E. W. Moody 19, E. A. Fuller 15, J. A. Ellison 13, William Halliday 13.

Auditor—E. D. Sargent 60.

Tax Collector—Thomas McNiff 58.

Constables—W. J. Toohy 62, Fred Marvin 40, Charles McCarthy 32, William Whitaker 29, George L. Harris 28, Samuel Hall 19, William Dryden 16.

Overseers of the Poor—John P. Clark 49, P. P. Daw 41, E. W. Moody 19, Albert Ellison 14, E. A. Fuller 13, Wm. Halliday 13.

Water Commissioner—Thomas Broderick 35, Patrick J. Sweeney 26, Albert Ellison 2.

Park Commissioner—Moses T. Stevens 35.

The town committee was authorized to fill all vacancies. The followers of Mr. Moody and Mr. Halliday struggled for the mastery in the evening's caucus but the endorsement fell to Mr. Moody, a young man new perhaps to many townspeople but a man of thorough independence, free from "entanglements" of any kind and one not prone to be seduced by wily or unjust influence.

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MOORISH ENTERTAINMENT.

A Moorish entertainment was given before a large audience in Russell hall Monday night under direction of Frederick Begen. Three tableaux were presented: The Selling of a Slave in the Market Place; Fight between Moor and Jew, and Pardon of Jew and release by Moorish Governor.

Among those who took part were Robert Dyon, Leonard Alcroft, George Duffon, Thomas Fitzgerald and Harry Begen.

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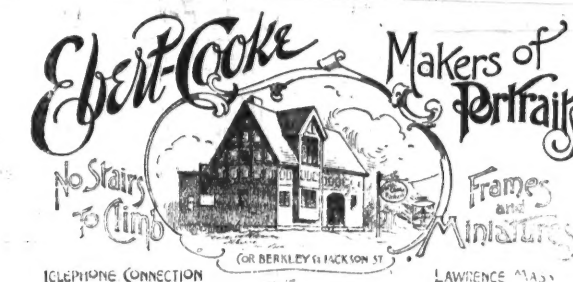
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To all persons interested in the trusts under the will of Sally Barker, late of Andover, in said County, singlewoman, deceased, for the benefit of the Pond District School of North Andover.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court by George B. Foster, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, praying to be appointed trustee under the will of said deceased, which has been proven in said Court.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lawrence, in said County of Essex, on the thirtieth day of March, A. D. 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this